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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD**

**DATE:    18 March 2009**

**PLACE:   Department of Business Regulation  
         1511   Pontiac   Avenue,   Building   69,   Conference   Room  
69-1      Cranston, RI 02920**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Messieurs: Smith, Capezza, Jr., Bernardo,  
Fairbanks, Jr. and Duhamel**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Richard W. Bernstein, Esq.  
         Brian Riggs, Department Budget Administrator  
Lois Marshall, Administrative Assistant**

**CALLED TO ORDER: Chairman Smith called the meeting to order  
         at 12:12 PM to commence Board business.**

### **(1) NEW BUSINESS:**

**Secretary Bernardo made a motion to accept the minutes of the 18 February 2009 Board meeting. Mr. Duhamel seconded the motion. Motion carried. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to approve and seal the minutes of the Executive Session of 18 February 2009. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A motion was made by Secretary Bernardo at 12:19 PM to move into Executive Session pursuant to RI General Laws, Section §42-46(5)(a)(2) for sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Secretary Bernardo made a motion at 1:10 PM to reconvene to Open Meeting in accordance with R.I.G.L. § 42-46(5) (a) (2) and seal the Minutes of the Executive Session. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. made a motion to confirm in open session the vote taken in executive session in accordance with R.I.G.L. §42-42-4 as follows: vote to close P2008-27 The Board of Registration for Professional Engineers vs. Michael LeBeau, PE. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

### **(3) (3) NCEES 2009 Northeast Zone Interim Meeting**

**Chairman Smith will attend the NCEES 2009 Northeast Zone Interim**

**Meeting.**

**(4) NCEES 2009 Annual Meeting**

**Chairman Smith will attend the NCEES 2009 Annual Meeting.**

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**(5) Correspondence from the Maryland State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers**

**The Maryland Board announced the nomination of their Board Chairman, Mr. Howard C. Harclerode II, PE for NCEES Treasurer. The Rhode Island State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers will support this nomination.**

**(6) Correspondence received from the Town of Coventry**

**Attorney Bernstein suggested that the Board acknowledge receipt of the correspondence from the Town of Coventry by sending a letter stating that the Board is working on getting this matter involving the Task List resolved.**

**(7) Correspondence received regarding Innovative/Alternative Sewage Disposal Technologies Technical Review**

**The Board reviewed correspondence from Mr. Frisella, PE, PLS, Mr. Pastore, PE and Mr. DiOrio, PLS regarding Innovative/Alternative Sewage Disposal Technologies. Mr. Duhamel suggested that a letter be sent to the Governor stating the Board's position on this matter. He will draft a letter and send it to the Board for their review and comments.**

**(8) Correspondence received from Charles Chopin**

**The Board reviewed Mr. Chopin's correspondence. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. made a motion to invite Mr. Chopin to the 15 April 2009 Board meeting to discuss his concerns. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**APPLICATIONS:**

**(9) Walid M. Ali**

**Mr. Ali submitted proof to the Board that he took a PE review course. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. made a motion to approve Mr. Ali to take the PE exam in October 2009 for a fourth and final time. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**(10) Andranik Tahmassian**

**The Board reviewed correspondence received from Mr. Tahmassian. The Board is continuing to review his application and will keep him apprised.**

**(11) Curt R. LaCount, PE, LEED-AP**

**The Board reviewed Mr. LaCount's correspondence and will hold his application until he submits an evaluation of his degree.**

**(12) Alexander A. Otenti**

**Mr. Otenti first name on his stamp does not correspond to the first name on his application. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. made a motion to return Mr. Otenti's stamp card stating that he must use his legal name or legally change his name. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

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**P.E. COMITY:**

**Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. made a motion to grant comity to the following individuals in the disciplines specified. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**ANDREWS, STEPHENT. KS STRUC. MAZIARZ, MICHAEL NJ ELEC.  
BATES, WAYNE E. MA CIVIL MIECZKOWSKI, JOSEPH PA CIVIL  
BERGERON, JAMES W. DE CIVIL MINER, ROBERT W. VT FP  
BOVE, JOSEPH A. PA CIVIL MOORE, IV, ROBERT R. NC CIVIL  
BUTLER, DANIEL T. ME CIVIL MURPHY, PETER J. OH ELEC.  
CAITO, BENJAMIN CT CIVIL NIEMIRA, JAMES K. IL ELEC.  
COCCI, DANIEL N. NH CIVIL NOWACKI, NICHOLAS R. MN CIVIL  
DIMERCURIO, JEROME J. MA STRUC. PULLEY, JOHN R. ME MECH.  
DRAKE, ROBERT M. MO MECH. ROTH, ROBERT J. NJ CIVIL  
FARAH, RACID J. MA STRUC. RUTH, ANDREW C. VT CIVIL  
GILHAM. PAUL C. OR CIVIL&STRUC.SALEK, CLEMENT J. MA CIVIL  
GILMAN, STEPHEN R. VT CIVIL SCHULER, ROBERT C. NH CIVIL  
GILL, AARON J.M. MI CIVIL SLAGLE, CHARLES B. IN CIVIL  
GILLUM, ARNOL OH CIVIL SOCHANNEK, JAMES P. MA CIVIL  
GOSLOW, MARC P. OH ELEC. SOWERS, JEFF A. IN CIVIL  
HARDY, JUSTIN R. GA MECH. STEINBERG, PAUL D. MA CHEM  
HAYMAN, PAUL W. CO ELEC. SULLIVAN, BRIAN C. CT CIVIL  
HOOKER, SAMUEL J. TN CIVIL SWANSON, CHARLES H. NY CIVIL  
JORDAN, JENNIFER A. MA CIVIL SWANSON, LYLE E. WA ELEC.  
KEVER, BRIAN FL STRUC. TAYLOR, CHRISTOPHER J. NJ CIVIL  
LAMBERT, EUGENE L. NH ELEC. TOCE, DAVID J. CT STRUC.  
LESCARBEAU, MICHAEL P. MA MECH. TYLAWSKY, JOHN**

## **A. CT CIVIL**

**LETZRING, TRACY J. CA CIVIL VAIL, AMBER T. OK STRUC.  
LING, MING-LIANG J. NY CIVIL WEAVER, MICHAEL Y. MA CIVIL  
LORENZ, FRANCIS J. NY ELEC. WEBSTER, GEOFF FL CIVIL  
LOWE, JOHN S. DE CIVIL WIETHORN, JIMMY DON TX CIVIL  
LULAY, TERRENCE R. OR CIVIL WILCOX, MICHAEL A. NJ CIVIL  
MALONE, SEAN P. NH CIVIL WOODS, CHRISTIAN B. NJ CIVIL**

## **PE. COMITY DENIED:**

**Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. made a motion to deny comity to Mr. Powell, Jr. due to the fact that in accordance with the guidelines established by the Board's law, rules and regulations he does not have the equivalent of a four-year engineering degree. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Powell, Jr., Carl F.**

## **EIT COMITY**

**Secretary Bernardo made motion to grant E.I.T. comity to the following individual. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Owens, Brad**

## **REINTSTATEMENT:**

**Secretary Bernardo made a motion to reinstated Mr. Haw in the Civil**

**discipline pending payment of all back fees and penalties. Secretary Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**Haw, Michael D.**

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**C.O.A. APPLICATIONS;**

**Motion was made by Secretary Bernardo to approve the applications for Certificates of Authorization listed on the 18 March 2009 list for Corporations, COA'S renewing, and Soles as noted in the specific disciplines mentioned with the exception of (0), which was denied. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**

**ADJOURNED:**

**Chairman Smith informed the Board that the next Board meeting would be scheduled for 15 April 2009 at 12:00 noon. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:12 PM. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.**





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## **C. O. A. APPLICATIONS**

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### **LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATIONS PAID COMMENTS**

**CLARK WESTERN DESIGN, LLC \$125 OK CIVIL & STRUCTURAL**

**SITE DESIGN ENGINEERING, LLC 64 \$50 OK NAME CHANGE &  
RENEWAL**

**NAME CHANGE TO SITE DESIGN ENGINEERING, LLC d/b/a LAND  
DEVELOPMENT**

**ENGINEERING & CONSULTING, LLC AND RENEWAL**

### **CORPORATIONS**

**FIRE TOWER ENGINEERED TIMBER \$125 OK CIVIL**

**UTILITY CONSULTANTS INC. \$125 OK ELECTRICAL**

**WATERMARK ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. \$125 OK CIVIL & CHEMICAL**

**WHEATON & SPRAGUE ENGINEERING \$125 OK CIVIL**

**COA #5171 SIMPSON GUMPERTZ & HEGER. 0 OK**

**ADD LEONARD J. MORSE-FORTIER IN RESP. CHARGE**

**COA #5187 BSC GROUP, INC. d/b/a BOSTON 0 OK**

**SURVEY CONSULTANTS REMOVE EDWARD MALNATI IN RESP.  
CHARGE**

**COA #5560 THE STELLAR ARCHITECTURAL. 0 OK STRUCTURAL  
& ENGINEERING GROUP, INC ADD ARMANDO C. SAPIN IN RESP.  
CHARGE**

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